Stage Related Activities of Alzheimer's

- 1. Early Stage: when the person experiences mild symptoms
- 2. Middle Stage: when the person experiences moderate symptoms
- 3. Late Stage: when the person experiences severe symptoms

Stage of Alzheimer's Disease and	The Resident Copes With	Therefore, These Activities
Related Symptoms:	These Changes:	May Be Most Enjoyable:
Early:	 Recent memory loss 	o Purposeful work-related
Recent Memory Loss	 Poor judgment 	activities and hobbies
o Confusion	 Increased need for security 	o Gardening
o Poor Judgment	 Mood or personality 	 Projects involving pets
 Numbers are Confusing 	changes	 Music and drama projects
 Increased Need for Security 	 Language problems 	o Field trips
 Mood or Personality Changes 		 Intergenerational programs
 Language Problems 		
Middle	 Increasing memory loss 	 Singing and socializing
 Increasing Memory Loss 	 Increasing cognitive 	 Poetry and book readings
 Suspicious of Others 	impairment	 Exercise-walking
 Needs Assistance with ADLs 	 Motor difficulties 	o Reminiscing: looking at
 Sundowning Syndrome 	 Increased mood and 	photos, magazines, memory
 Language Difficulties 	behavior changes	boxes
 Cognitive Impairment 		
 Perceptual Difficulties 		
 Motor Difficulties 		
 Changes in Behavior and Mood 		
Late	o Severe language	o Aroma therapy
 Severe Language Deterioration 	deterioration	 Massage and manicures
 Incontinent of Bowel and Bladder 	 Severe memory loss 	o One-on-One
o Total Care Needed for ADLs	 Increased need for sleep 	companionship
 Difficulty Swallowing 		 Hugging stuffed animals or
 Increased Need for Sleep 		dolls
o Severe Memory Loss		